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1. A takeout mechanism for gripping a bottle formed at the blow station of an I.S. machine and removing it from the blow station and depositing the gripped bottle at a deposit location, wherein the bottle has an upper neck portion and a lower body portion comprising

a takeout head assembly including gripper means 10 for gripping a bottle,

a takeout arm for supporting said takeout head assembly,

support means for supporting said takeout arm for displacement between a pick-up position and the deposit position,

first displacement means for displacing said takeout arm between said pick-up and deposit positions,

said takeout head assembly further comprising a cooling tube selectively displaceable between an up position and a down position, and

second displacement means for displacing said cooling tube from the up position down to the down position and then back up to the up position,

an air deflector having an annular, concave surface terminating at the top with a vertically extending post for deflecting air flowing down the cooling tube uniformly radially outwardly and

a supporting frame for supporting said air deflector proximate the bottom of said cooling tube.

2. A takeout mechanism according to claim 1, wherein the bottom of said cooling tube has an annular recess and said supporting frame includes an annular flange to be press fit into the annular recess and a plurality of struts connecting the top of the vertically extending post to said annular flange.

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